The Round Lake City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, January 8th, 2020 at 6:15pm at City Hall. Councilmembers present were Paul Cunningham, Jennifer Rehnelt, Walon Habben, Gary Larson and Mayor Douglas Knuth. Others present were, Bruce Bentele, Derek Nelson and Clerk Elaine Walker.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Knuth at 6:15pm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the agenda: Options for a grant writer.

Motion by Habben, second by Cunningham to approve the agenda and the additions. All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Rehnelt, second by Habben to approve the minutes from the December 11th meeting. All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Larson, second by Cunningham to approve disbursements and receipts as presented. All ayes: Carried.

Ordinance No. 54 – Revised – An Ordinance Regulating Parking Between the Months of October and April. Regulation of Winter Parking. Motion by Habben, second by Cunningham to approve Ordinance No. 54 – Revised version. All ayes: Carried. Clerk Elaine was instructed to send out special mailing to all residents with the new Ordinance.

Motion by Habben, second by Cunningham to approve the Official Newspaper – Tri County News, Depository – United Prairie Bank, City Assessor – Nobles County Assessor, City Attorney – Mark Shepherd, Atty, and City Auditor – Jacobson & Bergerson PLLP, Licensed CPA firm – Kim Eisfeld. All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Larson, second by Cunningham to designate Ned A. Jones from Farmers Insurance Agency as the City’s insurance agent and the City’s financial advisor on select accounts. All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Habben, second by Rehnelt to designate Kelly Meyer from United Prairie Financial Network as the City’s financial advisor on select accounts. All ayes: Carried.

Resolution No. 2020-01-08 – Brehm Group Renewal of the Accident Coverage for the Council. Motion by Cunningham, second by Rehnelt to approve Resolution No. 2020-01-08 for accident coverage for the Council. All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Larson, second by Cunningham to approve the 2020 Fee Schedule. All ayes: Carried. See attached.

Motion by Habben, second by Cunningham to use the IRS mileage reimbursement rate of 57.5 cents per mile for 2020. (Rate was 58 cents for 2019) All ayes: Carried.

Motion by Larson, second by Rehnelt to approve the CIP Program – Energy Star appliance rebates sheet for new electric appliances. All ayes: Carried.

2020 department heads will remain the same as they were in 2019. See attached.

Motion by Larson, second by Habben to replace the Gas Department’s Leak Detector, as the price to repair the 15 years old one is over half the cost of a new one. All ayes: Carried.

The 2019 City audit is scheduled for February 6th and 7th if more time is needed.

Southwest Minnesota Broadband Services (SMBS) will not be replacing the batteries, in the units that are located on the houses, for the broadband services. If there is a power outage, the phone service will not work, if your house is subscribed to the SMBS telephone service. Clerk Elaine was instructed to put a notice in the newsletter stating this information.

City Hall will be closed on Monday, January 20th, 2020 for Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

Next City Council meeting will be on Tuesday, February 11th, 2020.

Motion by Habben, second by Rehnelt to adjourn. All ayes: Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:07pm.